



NTP
National Toxicology Program

Studies Supported Through the Interagency Agreement with NCTR

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FDA Mission



- Protect public health by ensuring safety, efficacy and security of human and animal drugs, biological products, medical devices, food supply, cosmetics, and products that emit radiation.
- Advance public health by speeding innovations for more effective, safe and affordable medicines and food.
- Provide public with accurate, science-based information.





Products Regulated by FDA



Foods

- All interstate domestic and imported; including produce, fish, shellfish, shell eggs, milk; except meat and poultry.
- Bottled water.
- Wine (<7% alcohol).
- Infant formula

Food Additives

- Colors
- Food containers

Cosmetics

Dietary Supplements

Animal Feeds

Pharmaceuticals

- Human (safety, efficacy)
- Animal (safety, efficacy)

Medical Devices

Radiation Producing Devices

Vaccines

Blood Products

Tissues

Tobacco

Sterilants





NCTR Mission

FDA's National Center for Toxicological Research (NCTR, Jefferson, AR)



Conducts peer-reviewed scientific research in support of FDA mission, and provides technical expertise, for science-based regulatory decisions to improve health of US public:

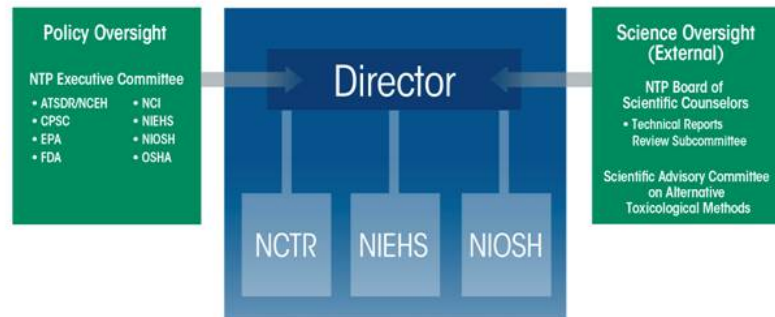
- Understand critical biological events in toxicity;
- Develop and characterize methods and incorporate new technologies to improve assessment of human exposure, susceptibility and risk;
- Increase understanding of interaction between genetics, metabolism and nutrition.





NTP Mission

- Evaluate agents of public health concern through development and application of tools of modern toxicology and molecular biology.
- Maintain an objective, science-based approach to critical issues in toxicology.
- Commit to using best science available.

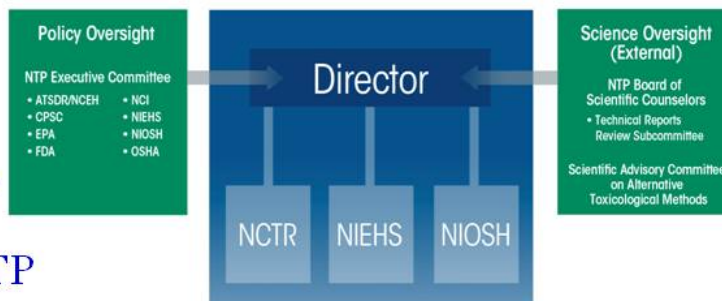


NCTR/FDA as NTP Partner

- NCTR/FDA, NIOSH/CDC, NIEHS founding organizations of NTP

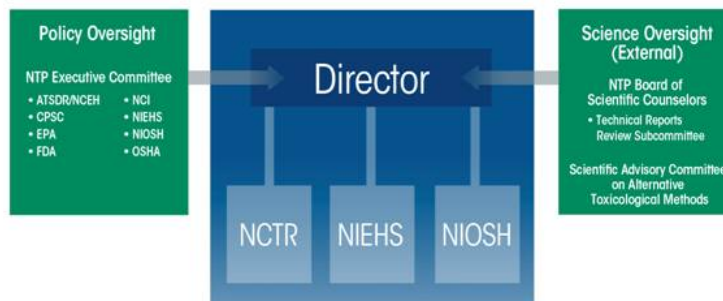
- Representation on NTP Committees:

- Interagency Chemical Coordination and Evaluation Committee (ICCEC)
- Interagency Coordinating Committee on the Validation of Alternative Methods (ICCVAM)
- Board of Scientific Counselors (BSC)
- BSC Technical Report Review Subcommittee
- Executive Committee





NCTR/FDA as NTP Partner



- NTP-related toxicological research projects ongoing at NCTR and within FDA.
- Peer-reviewed publications on toxicity, mechanism of action, or related toxicological methods.





Interagency Agreement (IAG) between NCTR/FDA and NTP/NIEHS

Initiated 10 Dec 1992

- NTP and FDA interests “overlap” on toxicity of FDA-regulated products.
- Established Interagency Agreement (IAG) to facilitate cooperation between NCTR/FDA and NTP/NIEHS on compounds of mutual interest.



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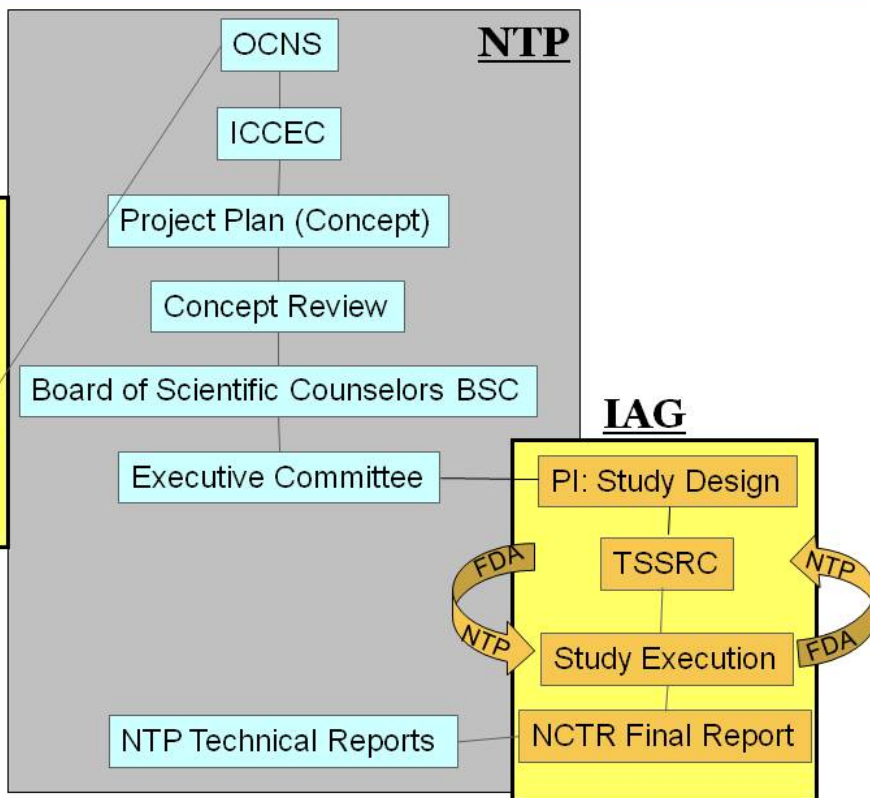
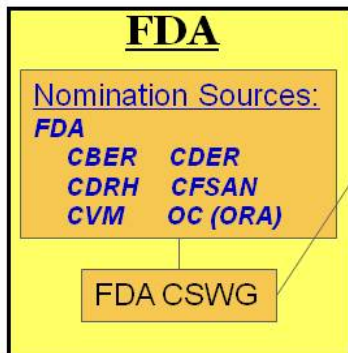
Goals of IAG

- (1) Support the design and conduct of toxicological studies consistent with needs and goals of FDA and NTP/NIEHS.
- (2) Provide oversight and ensure studies are conducted in the most rigorous scientific manner.
- (3) Ensure data resulting from the studies are available to enable regulatory agencies (U.S. and worldwide) to make science-based, safety assessment and risk management decisions.





Nomination/ Review Process - IAG





IAG Toxicology Study Selection and Review Committee (TSSRC)

(1) Oversight of studies on Interagency Agreement.

(2) **Provide forum for interaction between:**

**(NCTR study scientist,
FDA regulatory scientists,
NTP toxicologists)**

** reiterative process with continuous input
from regulatory scientists*





IAG Toxicology Study Selection and Review Committee (TSSRC)

(3) Scientists from FDA, NTP/NIEHS, and invited subject matter experts.

(4) Biannual meeting.

(5) Protocol reviewed at FDA and NTP.

(6) Typical presentation/interaction:

30 min presentation by study scientist

(concept; research plan; study progress)

Input from FDA regulatory center scientists

Input from other FDA center scientists

Input from invited scientists at meeting





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Compounds Studied - Areas

Endocrine Active Agents

Dietary Supplements

Food Contaminants & Food Safety

Pediatric/Translational

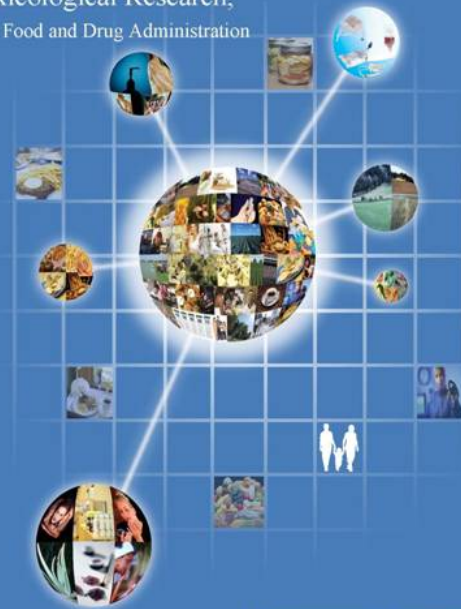
Drug/Device Interaction

AIDS Therapeutics

Phototoxicity

Nanoscale Materials

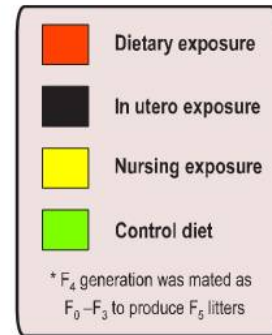
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An Interagency Agreement



Multigenerational Studies





Endocrine Active Agents

Multigenerational Studies

Genistein (TR-539, TR-545)

- *Endocrine effects in exposed female and male SD rats; no generational amplification*



Ethinyl Estradiol (TR-547, TR-548)

- *Positive control for above studies; effects in female and male SD rats; no generational amplification*





Endocrine Active Agents

Endocrine Disruptor Studies

* **Bisphenol A**

- *pharmacokinetic study using rats and non-human primates for physiologically-based pharmacokinetic (PBPK) model*
- *subchronic toxicity in rats, targeted endpoints*
- *(neuroanatomy and behavior study in rats)*

* *on-going studies*





Dietary Supplements

Riddelliine (mechanistic) (TR-508)

- *Mechanistic studies identified common DNA reactive intermediate for pyrrolizidine alkaloids*

† Aloe vera (oral)

- *Determine dose-response following chronic oral administration of whole leaf*

† *to be reviewed at 2010 BSC TRRS meeting*





Dietary Supplements

Ephedra

- *Studies cancelled when FDA banned ephedra use in products.*

* Bitter Orange (*Citrus aurantium*)

- *Developmental toxicity studies*
- *Physiological effects in exercise challenged rat (\pm caffeine)*

* *on-going studies*





Dietary Supplements

* **Usnic Acid and *Usnea* lichen**

- *Toxicokinetics and mechanistic studies in vitro and in rats*



* **Glucosamine/Chondroitin Sulfate**

- *Toxicity in diabetic rat model*



* *on-going studies*





Food Contaminants and Food Safety

Fumonisin B₁ (TR-496)

- Established hepato- and renal-carcinogenicity, non-genotoxic mechanism; dose-response for risk assessment

Malachite Green (TR-527)

- Established hepatocarcinogenicity; dose-response for risk assessment





Food Contaminants and Food Safety

*† **Acrylamide**

- *Conducting carcinogenesis, toxicokinetics, PBPK, neuroendocrine, neurotoxicity studies*

* **Furan**

- *Conducting carcinogenesis study in rats to examine lower end of dose-response curve*

**on-going studies*

† to be reviewed at 2010 BSC TRRS meeting





Food Contaminants and Food Safety

* **Melamine plus Cyanuric Acid**

- Establish dose-response in rodents and pigs; biomarkers and mechanism of action



** on-going studies*





Pediatric/Translational

Chloral hydrate (TR-502)

- Carcinogenesis in female mice was equivocal; neonatal exposure; mutagenicity studies equivocal



Chloral hydrate (dietary restricted) (TR-503)

- Liver carcinogenesis in dietary restricted mice through peroxisome proliferation



** on-going studies*





Pediatric/Translational

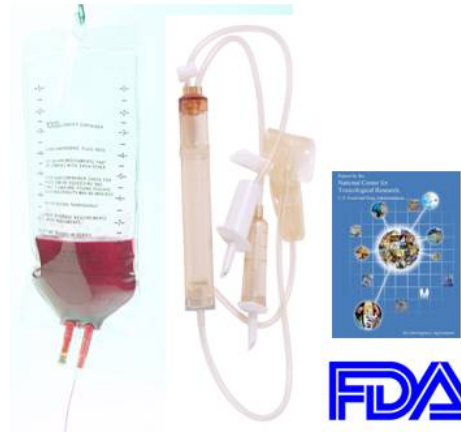
*** Ketamine**

- Verify and quantify in vitro and in vivo (rat) neurological apoptosis effects; behavioral studies



*** Di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate**

- Development of mechanistic and analytical methods for effects in rodents; pharmacokinetic studies in non-human primates



** on-going studies*



Drug/Device Interaction

Urethane +/- ethanol (TR-510)

-Ethanol had weak/mixed effect on urethane carcinogenicity

* Cellular telephone radiation

- Support NTP in vivo studies with brain histochemistry; in vitro studies

** on-going studies*





AIDS Therapeutics

† **Combination of Zidovudine, Nevirapine, Lamivudine, Nelfinavir, and Efavirenz**

- Quantify carcinogenesis with transplacental and transplacental/neonatal exposure; mechanism (DNA adducts, mutagenicity, clastogenicity)

† **Zidovudine and Lamivudine in transgenic mouse model**

- Determine carcinogenicity in genetically modified mouse model [$C3B6F1^{trp53(+/-)}$, $FVBp16^{Ink4a(+/-)}/p19^{Arf(+/-)}$]

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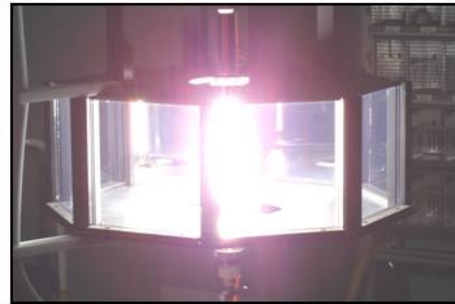




Phototoxicity

NTP Center for Phototoxicology

- Add “photo-” to NTP testing portfolio:
*phototoxicity, photocarcinogenesis,
photococarcinogenesis,
“photon-based” mechanism of action*
- *Simulated solar light, UVB, UVA,
laser light*
- *Hairless mouse*
- *Transgenic mice*





Phototoxicity

Alpha and Beta Hydroxy Acids (TR-524)

- Determined that application of alpha hydroxy acid did not increase carcinogenesis of sunlight (photocarcinogenesis); beta hydroxy acid protected.

Aloe Vera (topical) (TR-553)

- Determined that application of aloe constituents to skin had marginal effect on carcinogenesis of sunlight.





Phototoxicity

† Retinyl Palmitate

- Determine the photocarcinogenesis of topical application of RP



*** Permanent Makeup Inks**

- Determine the immunogenic component in permanent makeup inks that caused adverse events



Lemon and Lime Oil Furocoumarins

- Established DNA adduct of oxypeucedanin and other furanocoumarins



** on-going studies*

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Nanoscale Materials

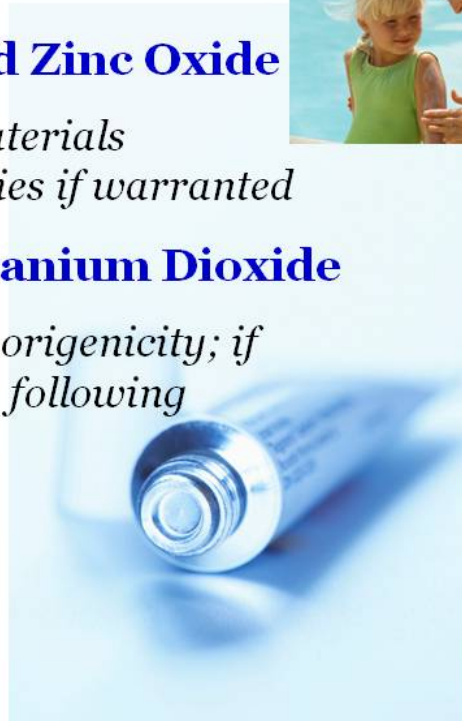
* **Titanium Dioxide and Zinc Oxide**

- *Determine if nanoscale materials penetrate skin; further studies if warranted*

* **Tg.AC Model with Titanium Dioxide**

- *Tg.AC model for phototumorigenicity; if warranted, photoactivation following nanoscale TiO₂ application*

* *on-going studies*





Nanoscale Materials

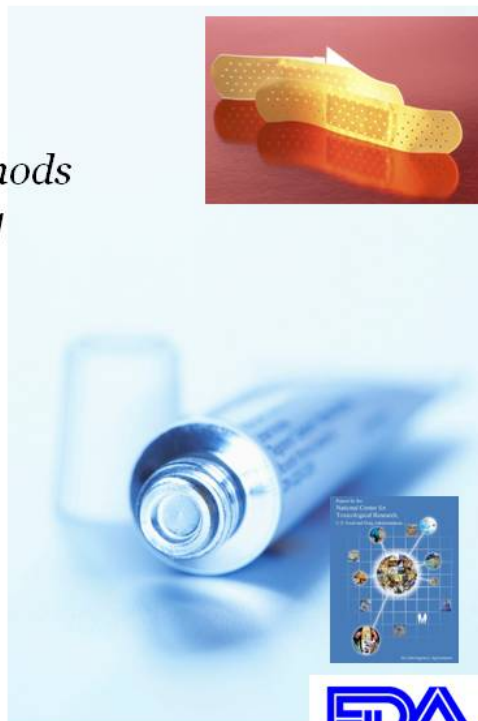
* **Nanoscale Silver**

- Determine pharmacokinetics; methods of measurement; subchronic toxicity and role of size and shape

* **Nanoscale Gold**

- Determine pharmacokinetics and subchronic toxicity

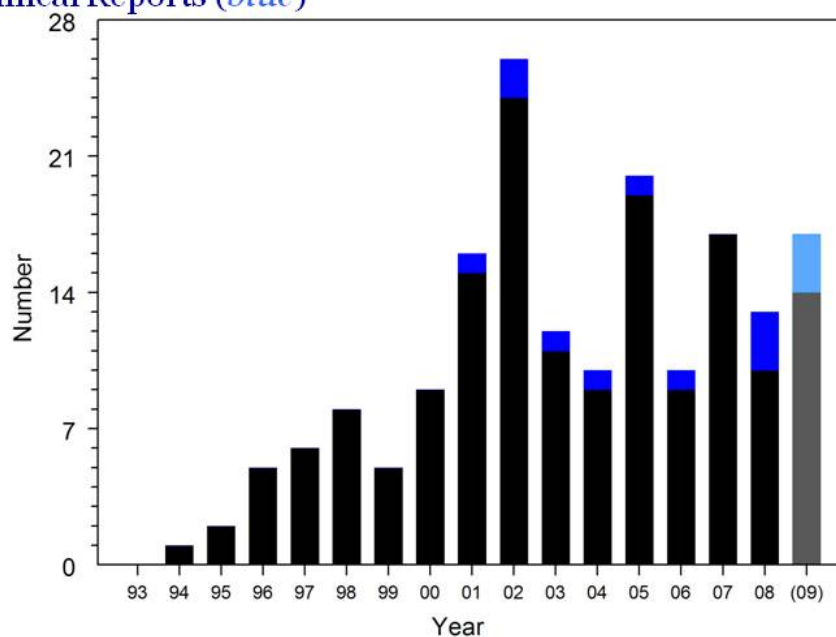
** on-going studies*





Output Measures of Interagency Agreement

Number of Peer-Review Publications (*black*),
or Technical Reports (*blue*)





* **Public Health Impact**

- Fumonisin B₁ study established carcinogenicity; used to set US and WHO acceptable levels in human and animal food.
- Chloral hydrate studies led to FDA conclusion that pediatric risk was minimal and not requiring labeling changes.
- Urethane studies resulted in distilled spirits industry changing manufacturing methods to reduce levels.

* *Selected examples*





* **Public Health Impact**

- Malachite green study established carcinogenicity; used to support continued ban on use with edible fish (US, UK).
- Riddelliine mechanistic studies indicated common active intermediate for pyrrolizidine alkaloids; FDA issued warning and established contaminant levels for pyrrolizidine alkaloids.
- Alpha- and beta-hydroxy acid studies resulted in FDA conclusion of no added risk in presence of sunlight.

* *Selected examples*





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***“A successful
partnership protecting
public health”***

